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ABSTRACT

This book responds to public interest in immigration issues by providing a comprehensive empirical analysis of contemporary Asian Pacific American immigration experience. It focuses on four highly significant, but largely misunderstood, aspects of the contemporary Asian Pacific experience: patterns of demographic growth and diversification; high rates of entrepreneurial activity; short and long-range economic benefits of high educational attainment levels; and extremely high rates of naturalization and electoral participation exhibited in relation to increased acculturation. The following chapters are included: (1) "Recent Asian Pacific Immigrants: The Demographic Background" (Robert M. Jiobu); (2) "The Impact of Immigration on the Demography of Asian Pacific Americans" (Larry Hajime Shinagawa); (3) "Understanding Immigrant Entrepreneurs: Theoretical and Empirical Issues" (Shubha Ghosh); (4) "Asians Matter: Asian American Entrepreneurs in the High Technology Industry in Silicon Valley" (Edward Jang-Woo Park); (5) "Immigrant Entrepreneurs in the High-Tech Industry" (Melanie Erasmus); (6) "Vietnamese-Owned Manicure Businesses in Los Angeles" (Craig Huynh); (7) "Cambodian-Owned Donut Shops" (Gen L. Lee); (8) "The Social Contract To Educate All Children" (Paul Ong and Linda C. Wing); (9) "Interviews of Three Asian Pacific Immigrants" (Irene Chang); and (10) "Becoming Citizens, Becoming Voters: The Naturalization and Political Participation of Asian Pacific Immigrants" (Paul Ong and Don T. Nakanishi). Chapters 8 and 9 are listed in the Table of Contents under the subheading "Part III. Education" and are the sections related to the field of education. Each chapter contains references.

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